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SEQUENCE PROGRAMMING  
FOR IMAGING SYSTEM

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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO  
OFFICE ACTION MAILED OCTOBER 2, 2003**

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed on October 2, 2003. By this response, claims are canceled without prejudice, and new claims are added. In particular, 55 claims are canceled (claims 40-85 and 91-95). New claims 96-145 total fewer in number than those canceled, and include no more independent claims than canceled. Accordingly, no fee is payable by virtue of the amendments.

Please amend the referenced patent application as follows:

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